

## KNAPP UTTERANCE CAUSES SENSATION

Interstate Commissioner's Attack on Anti-Trust Law Big Surprise.

### EFFECT OF SUCH ACTION

Elimination of Competition and Government Regulation His Idea.

Times-Dispatch Bureau, Washington, D. C., Sept. 16.—The outspoken and entirely unequivocal attack upon the Sherman anti-trust law, which Chairman Knapp, of the Interstate Commerce Commission, made in the course of his address in Chicago Saturday, has excited surprise in Washington. It is freely predicted that the President will allow the public to know in the course of a short time that he does not approve of the utterances of the chairman of the commission by making him feel the weight of his displeasure, or, if there be no after-clap, and Chairman Knapp is allowed to pursue the even tenor of his way (if the way of a member of the Interstate Commerce Commission these days can be regarded as being in the slightest degree even), it may be safely asserted that Mr. Roosevelt believes the Sherman law was not conceived in wisdom.

The position taken by Chairman Knapp that capital should be allowed and even encouraged to combine, and that it should be allowed to combine and monopolies should flourish, provided there is the closest kind of government regulation to prevent the evils the anti-trust law was designed to prohibit, is striking, but not new. For years, a certain class of people in this country have urged that there should be no more than one railroad system in America, and this without urging rigid government regulation of charges. It is argued that the railroad itself would not dare to do that which would hurt its business and dwarf its income, as would result from the imposition of unfair charges for transportation, but that it would do all possible to develop the country, and thus stimulate the production of everything which would be likely to become an article of freight.

The chief argument of this class is that by eliminating competition, which is often ruinous to the transportation company and of no lasting benefit to the shipper, every company engaged in transporting passengers and freight is given opportunity to reap the maximum of reward, and would at the same time be restrained by healthy self-interest from oppressing the people who supplied the traffic. It is also argued that all the people would be much benefited by the elimination of governmental control of transportation, that governmental over-action which Thomas Jefferson so much feared, is fuller of danger than a monopoly of the railway lines. But there is bound to be a recession of the wave. The pendulum will swing back. It may very well be that when we attain the normal stage of civilization, it will be found that we are advocating monopolies, with government supervision and regulation in cases where "righteous self-interest" is not sufficiently strong to make regulation by law unnecessary. But "nevertheless and notwithstanding," Chairman Knapp is not at present in full accord with the majority in his attitude towards trusts.

### ONE PREACHER ARRESTED ON ANOTHER'S COMPLAINT

NEW YORK, September 16.—Edward E. Matthews, thirty-seven years old, who said he was a clergyman and lived in Somers Street, Brooklyn, was arrested by the police of Brownsville Station last night on a charge of burglary made by the Rev. William A. Crosby, of No. 210A Hopkinson Avenue, who says he is the head of the Helping Hand Association, which, he says, "does charitable work in a small way."

The specific charge against Matthews is that he entered the chapel of the organization at No. 210A Fulton Street and stole two bibles, a badge of the society, two collection plates and an account book, which the Rev. Mr. Crosby said were valued at \$3.

Killed Playing Hold-Up.—WASHINGTON, D. C., September 16.—While playing with a revolver John B. Horton, six years old, to-day accidentally shot and killed his father, Robert J. Horton, a well-known local politician.

Record Price for Whiskey.—CINCINNATI, O., September 16.—The record price for whiskey was reached here to-day when it rose two cents over the Saturday quotation, reaching \$1.24, the highest known here.



## Ladies' Ready Trimmed Hats.

Whitlock's  
First Fall Display

Thursday, September 19th.

"Each day during the fall and winter we will continue our custom of showing 'Something New' every day."

## WHITLOCK'S

431 East Broad Street

Our young ladies will cheerfully show you our hats. No one persuaded to buy.

## NINE PREACHERS IN PRIZE-WINNING TRIP

Methodists and a Baptist Minister Condemn New York Vaudeville.

Mussey Building, Washington, D. C., Sept. 16.

A party of nine of the most popular clergymen in North Carolina are in Washington to-day, having come on here from New York. The party is made up of eight Methodists and one Baptist, who were the winners in a voting contest instituted by the Dispatch, of Lexington, N. C., which proposed to give this trip to the nine most popular ministers in the counties in which it circulated. The party, in charge of Mr. Henry B. Varner, of the Dispatch, is composed of Rev. J. W. Clegg, Rev. Parker Holmes, Rev. N. M. Bills, Rev. H. C. Byrum, Rev. J. A. J. Farrington, Rev. J. W. Bradley, Rev. W. W. Ingle, Rev. R. P. Coram (Baptist), Rev. W. L. Hutchins and Rev. D. E. Bowers.

The reverend gentlemen are having the time of their lives, and are employing every minute in seeing the sights. They had a great time in New York. Several of them remarked they had been preaching against theatre all their lives without ever having been inside one. They took in vaudeville while in the metropolis, but they did not sit the "show" through. The high kicking and some of the songs and jokes were rather too much for the sense of propriety cherished by the reverend spectators. The ministers were especially shocked that little boys and girls should be employed to sing and dance in beer halls in order to attract men to buy beer.

"I wish," said Rev. Parker Holmes, "that the good sisters of this country would allow themselves to forget for awhile their crusade against liquor, which has done so much good for this country, and devote themselves to the work of rescuing the children of New York."

The ministerial party did considerable stumping while in the metropolis, and what they saw in Chinatown and the Bowery made them open their eyes.

The party expects to leave for home to-morrow night, absolutely convinced that not only is there no place like home, but no homes so happy as those of the Old North State.

Forbid Railway Passes.—LINCOLN, NEB., September 16.—The State Board of Health to-day adopted a resolution prohibiting any employee or appointee from carrying a railroad pass, and what they saw in Chinatown and the Bowery made them open their eyes.

Uncle Sam Buys Welsh Coal.—LONDON, September 16.—The United States Navy Department has, according to a dispatch from Cardiff, Wales, contracted with Welsh firms for 100,000 tons of the best steam coal, the delivery to extend over 1908. The price agreed upon has been kept secret.

## ROGERS' CONDITION IS VERY SERIOUS

Standard Oil Magnate Is Paralyzed or Has Clot on Brain.

### EXCUSED FROM COURT TRIAL

Son-in-Law Testifies as to Extent and Effects of His Stroke.

WASHINGTON, D. C., September 16.—Upon the evidence of members of the family of Henry H. Rogers and the family physician that Mr. Rogers suffered a stroke last July, and has since been unable to transact any business, Judge Hammond, in the Supreme Court, to-day announced that it would be cruel to compel his attendance in court, and dismissed a motion to that effect. The condition of Mr. Rogers was disclosed in the course of a hearing on a motion to show that he was capable of attending the trial of a suit against him for \$50,000,000, brought by C. M. Raymond, of Somerville, for alleged conversion of certain royalties in connection with the production of petroleum.

The hearing began last week with the testimony of Dr. Charles L. Pratt, of New Bedford, who testified that Mr. Rogers had suffered from a stroke last July, and was unable to attend to his business. Counsel for Mr. Raymond to-day sought to show by the testimony of principal and business friends of Mr. Rogers in New Bedford and Fair Haven, and also by numerous telephone tickets, giving a record of calls between New York and the home of Mr. Rogers in Fair Haven, that the Standard Oil financier had been about the streets, had participated in certain festivities, had engaged in certain business in New Bedford and had been in communication with his associates in New York.

President Winslow, of the First National Bank of New Bedford, stated that he had conversed with Mr. Rogers at the bank, but said that it was not upon business matters. Urban H. Broughton, the son-in-law of Mr. Rogers, said that Mr. Rogers was taken ill in New York, his father-in-law had been unable to transact any business, and that soon after that Mr. Rogers told him to pick up all his business and carry on the affairs to the best of his knowledge. Mr. Broughton testified that the physicians had refused to allow Mr. Rogers to see any members of the family, not excepting his wife. At present, he testified, Mr. Rogers is distorted on the right side, the left of his body is out of its natural position, and his speech is affected.

Henry H. Rogers, Jr., said that there had been only a slight improvement in his father's condition since July 1st, and that the only business he had done was to give three blank checks and give a power of attorney to open a safe deposit vault in New York. He refused to discuss anything of importance, and ordinary matters worried him.

### INVESTIGATE WRECK

Railway Officials Making an Exhaustive Inquiry.

CONCORD, N. H., September 16.—Investigation by the officials of the Boston and Maine Railroad of the collision of trains on the Concord Division, near Canaan yesterday, by which twenty-five passengers of the Quebec express lost their lives, and twenty-five others were injured, occupied the first time of the heads of the system to-day.

The officials examined the records in the train dispatcher's office here to make a careful investigation at Canaan and other stations along the line of the Concord Division, and visited the scene of the accident in an effort to determine who was responsible for the blunder by which the two trains were brought together. The proceedings of the examination were secret.

### ACCEPTS BARBER'S TERMS.

Santo Domingo Congress Authorizes President to Close Contract.

WASHINGTON, D. C., September 16.—The Bureau of Insular Affairs has received a cablegram announcing that the Santo Domingo Congress to-day passed a resolution delegating to the executive of that government the authority to accept the \$20,000,000 Dominican loan contract. The session at which this authority was given to President Gomez was an extraordinary one, called for September 10th to deal with the latest proposition for the loan. The loan is for \$20,000,000 on condition that the loan be repaid in sixty-six years on the dollar, the bonds to run for thirty years, with permission for the Dominican government to redeem them at the end of ten years.

## BARON STERNBURG IS SOON TO BE RECALLED

The recurrence of the report that Baron Speck von Sternburg is to be recalled by the Kaiser, who will substitute Herr von Tschirsky as Ambassador to Washington, has occasioned no surprise though a great deal of activity in White House circles. President Roosevelt will be especially afflicted, because he loves von Sternburg as a brother. The first lady of the land will be likewise bereft, for the baroness, formerly Lillie Langham, of Kentucky, is her social mentor. Madame von Tschirsky will have a hard place to fill, even as her husband must exert himself to the utmost to continue Germany's legation in high favor when he shall have assumed the task.

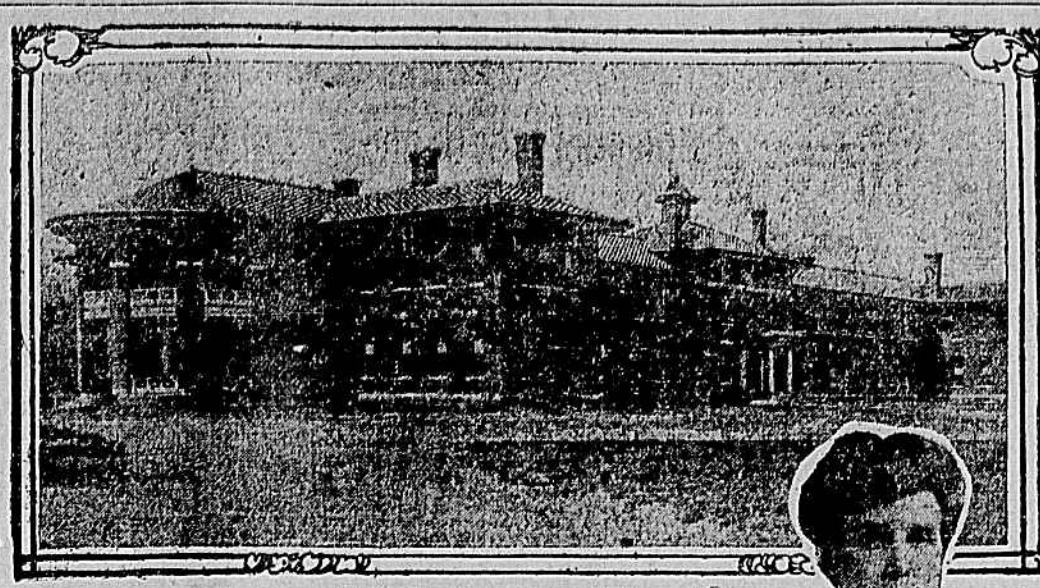
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It began years ago, at the end of the Spanish War, when von Sternburg was charged d'affaires. Von Sternburg will go to Italy, if the present report of his recall is true. Then he will return to Germany to become secretary of the department of foreign affairs—the same post, by the way, which his successor is to leave to accept the ambassadorship.

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## WOMAN IMPRISONED ON HUSBAND'S REQUEST



## MENTAL AGONY SUFFERED BEHIND STONE WALLS AND STEEL GRATES OF ASYLUM

Two Doctors Sign Commitment, While Expert Alienist, Employed by Attorney, Secures Her Release, and Trouble Impends.

WASHINGTON, D. C., September 16.—The Times, of this evening, says: Lodged among raving lunatics in St. Elizabeth's Insane Asylum against her will last Tuesday on the complaint of her husband and released as sane to-day on his request when her attorney threatened him with habeas corpus proceedings, is the strange and wretched story of Mrs. Maggie M. Fenton, of 1240 Morse Street, Northeast, mother of J. W. Fenton, Jr., who is private secretary to Senator Elkins. For almost a week Mrs. Fenton has sojourned behind the stone walls and steel bars of the houses built for those whose aimless hands claw the walls by night and whose unknowing eyes watch with warning gleam the things and persons about them. To appreciate what she has endured, one must have the imagination of a Baudelaire or the weird insight of a De Maupassant. No woman in this story is a stranger and startling chain of events that may have a still more sensational sequel. And prominent above all else is the marvelous courage of this woman who, imprisoned with those who rave, worked out her own salvation.

Evidence of Three Eminent Physicians.—The bare facts of this imprisonment of a woman who is sane, according to three eminent physicians who have examined her, are as follows: Last Tuesday two physicians, Dr. William L. Miller, of 414 K Street, Northwest, and Dr. Geo. J. Lockheimer, of 55 K Street, Northwest, signed a commitment paper, saying Mrs. Fenton was insane. This was indorsed by her husband, J. W. Fenton, and Mrs. Eloise Clements, of 1248 Morse Street, Northwest.

That afternoon Mrs. Fenton was carried to the Government Hospital for the Insane in a wagon in which a colored man rode. She was put into the ordinary darkness was hideous with the moans and cries of lunatics.

The following day she was put on the "parole ward," where the patients are given the greatest possible freedom by day.

On Friday she was allowed to come into the city. She consulted A. E. L. Leckie, of the law firm of Leckie & Fulton, and told him that, as she was not insane and never had been, she wished to be released from a place that was miserable and wretched in every way for people of sound mind.

Yesterday afternoon Dr. William L. Miller, the eminent nerve and brain specialist, examined Mrs. Fenton on the request of Dr. Leckie. Dr. Miller pronounced the woman absolutely sane. This morning Mr. Leckie left J. W. Fenton, the woman's husband, know that he was about to institute habeas corpus proceedings in the District Supreme Court for the immediate release of Mrs. Fenton.

The husband thereupon went to the city and with him his wife, who is sane, and who is now in the charge of insanity against her husband. A letter was procured from the District Commissioners ordering her release.

With her son, she left St. Elizabeth's this afternoon at 12:30 o'clock a free woman.

Reason a Mystery.—Why Mrs. Fenton was thrown among lunatics is at present a mystery. She claims that her husband had threatened her with such treatment on several previous occasions.

Dr. Miller, signing the commitment of Mrs. Fenton, is now out of the city.

"You ought to know that man," said the correspondent, indicating Wellman, "he has been up in your country when he tried to get to the pole. That's Walter Wellman."

"Where he got?" asked the janitor. The correspondent tried to utter the unpronounceable name of the place Wellman had reached when he had to turn back.

"O, ah! Y-a-a-s. I know that place. Me an' my brother go up there much times to fish."

### CENTRAL AMERICAN PEACE.

Agreement for Peace by Five Latin Republics Now Assured.—WASHINGTON, D. C., September 16.—Diplomatic representatives of the five Central American republics did not continue to meet for the purpose of arranging a permanent peace conference to

be held in Washington, several of the diplomats being out of the city. Senator Corea, minister of Nicaragua, and Senator Toledo, minister of Guatemala, have received instructions authorizing them to proceed with the preliminary conference and the protocol remaining for permanent conference. This is regarded as eliminating all possibility of the failure of the Central American representatives to come to an agreement.

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## CURED AFTER SIX YEARS OF SUFFERING

Chronic Stomach Trouble Pro-nounced Incurable by Physician Yielded to the Tonic Treatment Although Patient Had No Faith In It.

"For six years I suffered untold misery from stomach trouble," says Mrs. H. P. Flanagan, of Canton, South Dakota, "though I was treated by four physicians. No two agreed as to the nature or cause of my disease. One said I had ulcers of the stomach, another that it was chronic stomach trouble and incurable; another called it neuralgia.

"The pain was dull, not sharp, and when I went to bed I noticed that it was a great deal more severe. It was relieved when I rested or would lie down. I had no appetite, and didn't care to eat at all. I tried to eat to keep up my strength, but the pain was there whether I ate or not. I was run down in strength and weight.

"My husband read of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and persuaded me to try them. When I began to take the pills I had no faith in them whatever, but I had found no relief in anything else, so I tried them. I took about three boxes, and am as well now as I ever was. I have no more trouble with my stomach, and have no doubt that my cure is complete. My general health is good, and I have gained in weight. I can and do recommend Dr. Williams' Pink Pills to any one suffering from stomach trouble."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills do not simply deaden pain; they cure the trouble which causes the pain. They are guaranteed to contain no narcotic, stimulant or opiate. For rheumatism, indigestion, nervous headaches, many forms of weakness, and all ailments connected with the blood, Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are recommended, even if ordinary remedies have been tried without relief.

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## CHANLER TO HAVE STATE ENDORSEMENT

New York Democrats Will Launch His Presidential Boom.

### IS NOT A STRONG FACTOR

The Lieutenant-Governor's Father Was a Native of South Carolina.

Times-Dispatch Bureau, Mussey Building, Washington, D. C., Sept. 16.

The friends of Lewis Stuyvesant Chanler, Lieutenant-Governor of New York, announce that they will launch formally his boom for the Democratic nomination to the presidency at an early meeting of the Democratic State Committee of New York State. They claim that the committee will indorse his candidacy, and allege that this will mean that the New York Democracy will go into the national convention pledged to support the nomination of Mr. Chanler.

It is planned to have the State committee meet soon after the session of the Republican Central Committee of New York State. At the meeting of the Democratic committee a resolution indorsing the candidacy of Lieutenant-Governor Chanler will be proposed, and it is claimed that it will be unanimously adopted. At this time there is little reason to doubt that Chanler will capture the State delegation to the Democratic national convention.

Outside of New York such action of the Democrats of that State would be regarded as a declaration of intention to press the claims of the young Lieutenant-Governor with aggressiveness. Any candidate who goes into a national convention with the support of the Empire State, and who has been taken very seriously. The Chanler people claim they are rapidly getting an organization in the different States, and have been at work on this in a very quiet way for several months. Various Southern men of prominence, and some, including Senator Simmons, of North Carolina, have indorsed his candidacy.

Lieutenant-Governor Chanler's father was a South Carolinian, and represented the State in Congress.

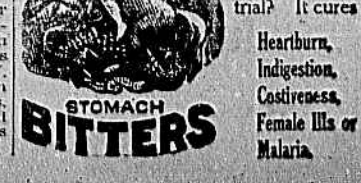
### REAR-ADMIRAL WALKER DIES.

Former Commander of White Squadron Expires, Aged Seventy-Two.

NEW YORK BEACH, N. Y., September 16.—Rear-Admiral John G. Walker, U. S. N., retired, died suddenly last night at the home of a friend at High Pasture, York City. Admiral Walker was seventy-two years of age and a native of New Hampshire. He was known as the promoter of the famous squadron of evolution, which became known as the "White Squadron," and of which he was appointed commander. Admiral Walker had been ill for several days, but his death was quite unexpected. He had been spending several weeks with his family at the cottage of Miss S. A. Pickering, of Salisbury, Mass. Death was due to heart disease. It is expected that the body will be taken to Boston to-morrow. A daughter of the admiral left for that city this afternoon to arrange for services to-morrow. It is the understood intention of the admiral's family to have the body cremated, after which the ashes will be sent to Washington for interment at the national capital.

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man foreign office, taking cognizance of the renewal of the reports that the German ambassador at Washington, Baron Speck von Sternburg, is shortly to retire, to-day authorized the statement that Emperor William and Chancellor von Buelow have the fullest confidence in the ambassador, and desire him to remain at Washington as long as he desires to do so, and that no change in the ambassadorship has been considered.

Best For The Bowels

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